

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

SIZE LIMITS FOR INTERNATIONAL PACKETS

Docket No. MC2021-25

**NOTICE OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OF  
MINOR CLASSIFICATION CHANGES CONCERNING THE  
MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT FOR INTERNATIONAL SMALL PACKET**  
(November 5, 2020)

Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. § 3040.212, the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) hereby gives notice of minor changes in classification governing International Mail in the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS). The purpose of these minor changes is to revise the size limits for international small packet, as they appear in the following sections of the MCS:

- 2340.2 Inbound Letter Post Small Packets and Bulky Letters,<sup>1</sup>
- 2510.3.2 Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) Contracts,
- 2510.5.2 Global Bulk Economy (GBE) Contracts,
- 2510.6.2 Global Plus Contracts,
- 2510.7.2 Global Reseller Expedited Package Contracts, and
- 2510.8.2 Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS)—Non-Published Rates.

The changes to the MCS sections listed above are similar to the changes to size limits for Outbound First-Class Package International Service (FCPIS),

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<sup>1</sup> In addition, in this filing, the Postal Service is also providing notice of changes to the size limits for Inbound Letter Post rolls in MCS section 2340.2.

International Priority Airmail (IPA) packets and International Surface Air Lift (ISAL) packets that were included in the Postal Service's initial filing in the CP2021-15 docket, to conform with international standards, limiting the minimum length to 6 inches and minimum height to 4 inches.<sup>2</sup>

The Postal Service proposes that these minor changes should take effect at 12:01 a.m. on January 24, 2021, simultaneously with the implementation of the competitive published price change filed in Docket No. CP2021-15.

Section 3682 of title 39 states that "[t]he Postal Service may establish size and weight limitations for mail matter in the competitive category of mail consistent with regulations its authority under section 3622."<sup>3</sup> In addition, Section 3040.212 of 39 C.F.R. states that, "[t]he Postal Service shall notify the Commission of updates to size and weight limitations for competitive mail matter pursuant to subpart E of this part."<sup>4</sup>

This notice satisfies the requirements set forth in subpart E of Part 3040. First, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(a), the changes described should result in the MCS more accurately representing the Postal Service's current offerings. Second, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(b), the Postal Service is filing this notice at least 15 days prior to the intended effective date of January 24, 2021, for the proposed changes to the MCS. Third, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3040.190(c), these changes merely revise size limits for

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<sup>2</sup> See United States Postal Service Notice of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive International Products, Docket No. CP2021-15, October 9, 2020, at 2, as well as revisions to MCS section 2320.2(d) IPA small packets size limits at 69, MCS section 2325.2(d) ISAL small packets size limits at 82, and MCS section 2335.2 FCPIS small packets size limits at 94.

<sup>3</sup> 39 U.S.C. § 3682.

<sup>4</sup> 39 C.F.R. § 3040.212.

international small packet, as it appears in the sections of the MCS listed above, without otherwise changing product offerings or the prices or price groups applicable to such products and countries. Therefore, these minor classification changes do not constitute material changes, to the product descriptions of the products that might be affected.

The Postal Service hereby submits to the Commission, in Attachment 1 to this notice, the conforming changes, in legislative format, to the MCS sections listed above. These changes should be incorporated into the MCS.

Respectfully submitted,

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**2340 Inbound Letter Post Small Packets and Bulky Letters**

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2340.2 Size and Weight Limitations

*Small Packets and Bulky Letters (E Format)*

	Length	Height	Thickness	Weight
Minimum	5.5 <u>6</u> inches	3.5 <u>4</u> inches	0.007 inch <u>0.0075</u> inch	none
Maximum	24 inches			4.4 pounds <sup>1</sup>
	Length plus height plus thickness of 36 inches			

**Notes**

1. Items for the blind subject to maximum weight of 15.432 pounds.

*Rolls (E Format)*

	<b>Length</b>	<b>Length plus twice the diameter</b>	<b>Weight</b>
Minimum	<del>3.94</del> <u>4</u> inches	<del>6.69</del> <u>6.75</u> inches	none
Maximum	<del>35.43</del> <u>36</u> inches	<del>40.94</del> <u>42</u> inches	4.4 pounds

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### 2510.3 Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) Contracts

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#### 2510.3.2 Size and Weight Limitations

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*First-Class Package International Service &  
Commercial ePacket Service*

*Packages (Small Packets)*

	Length	Height	Thickness	Weight
Minimum	<del>Large enough to accommodate postage, address, and other required elements on the address side</del>			none
	<u>6 inches</u>	<u>4 inches</u>	=	
Maximum	24 inches			4 pounds for FCPIS
	Length plus height plus thickness of 36 inches			4.4 pounds for CeP

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### 2510.5 Global Bulk Economy (GBE) Contracts

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#### 2510.5.2 Size and Weight Limitations

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*Packages (Small Packets)*

	Length	Height	Thickness	Weight
Minimum	<del>Large enough to accommodate postage, address, and other required elements on the address side</del>			none
	<u>6 inches</u>	<u>4 inches</u>	=	
Minimum	24 inches			4 pounds
	Length plus height plus thickness: <u>of</u> 36 inches			

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## 2510.6 Global Plus Contracts

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### 2510.6.2 Size and Weight Limitations

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#### *Packages (Small Packets)*

	Length	Height	Thickness	Weight
Minimum	<del>large enough to accommodate postage, address, and other required elements on the address side</del>			none
	<u>6 inches</u>	<u>4 inches</u>	=	
Maximum	24 inches			4 pounds for FCPIS
	Length plus height plus thickness of 36 inches			4.4 pounds for CeP, IPA, and ISAL

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## 2510.7 Global Reseller Expedited Package Contracts

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### 2510.7.2 Size and Weight Limitations

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#### *Outbound Single-Piece First-Class Package International Service*

#### *Packages (Small Packets)*

	Length	Height	Thickness	Weight
Minimum	<del>Large enough to accommodate postage, address, and other required elements on the address side</del>			none
	<u>6 inches</u>	<u>4 inches</u>	=	
Maximum	24 inches			4 pounds
	Length plus height plus thickness of 36 inches			

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**2510.8 Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS)—Non-Published Rates**

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**2510.8.2 Size and Weight Limitations Requirements**

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*First-Class Package International Service*

*Packages (Small Packets)*

	Length	Height	Thickness	Weight
Minimum	<del>Large enough to accommodate postage, address, and other required elements on the address side</del>			none
	<u>6 inches</u>	<u>4 inches</u>	=	
Maximum	24 inches			4 pounds
	Length plus height plus thickness of 36 inches			

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